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Greece's Appeal To U.N.O.

Lake Success, Dec. 5.
Greece formally submitted her border disputes with Yugoslavia, Albania and Bulgaria to the Security Council tonight in a 40-page memorandum.
The note contains a list of 37 alleged incidents of frontier violations by anti-Government bands from outside.
Pending the arrival of the Greek Premier, Constantinos Tsaldaris, who left Athens on Sunday for New York but has not yet arrived, the Greek Ambassador, Vassili Dendramis, permanent representative to the United Nations, submitted the dispute to the Council in a note to Dr. Trygve Lie asking the Council to appoint a commission to go to Greece to conduct first-hand investigation into the specific charges.
These charges alleged armed bands have crossed the frontiers from three countries and repeatedly violated Greek territory, raiding border villages and killing peasants.—United Press.

Brigade To Leave Japan

Canberra, Dec. 5.
It is official that the withdrawal of one brigade of British troops from the British Commonwealth occupation forces in Japan is being effected after consultations by the British Government with the Australian Government.
Australia gave the assurance that she had no objection to the withdrawal. The brigade is approximately of 3,000 men, leaving 6,000 British troops in Japan. No extra Australian forces are necessary as it is stated that the remaining troops are sufficient to undertake all duties required.
It is stated that great manpower difficulties in maintaining large numbers of troops abroad and the staffing of civilian industries led to Britain's decision. This fact is cited as an example of the implementation of the decision by the Prime Minister, Mr. Churchill, to the effect that Australia is prepared to accept a greater share of Empire defence, particularly in the Pacific.—Reuter.

MARINES LEAVING

Shanghai, Dec. 5.
Admiral Charles M. Cooke, Jr., announced at a press conference today that the 7th Regiment of the First Marines, which formerly was assigned to guard the railways carrying coal between Tientsin and Chinwangtao, is being withdrawn to the United States.—United Press.

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SINO-FRENCH TALKS

Nanking, Dec. 4.
A Foreign Office spokesman today denied the Nanking press reports that Sino-French negotiations have been suspended. The newspaper "Ta Kung Pao" suggested that the reason for the suspension might be connected with the reorganization of the French Government.
Government quarters confirmed that negotiations concerning a bilateral air pact, the Yunnan railway and the status of Haiphong are still going on.—Reuter.

Nanking And H.K. Incidents

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The Foreign Office here has called the Chinese Foreign Affairs Commissioner in Hong Kong for full details of the incident on the Sino-British border there yesterday, involving the death of a Chinese.
A Foreign Office spokesman said an investigation was going on regarding unofficial reports of the incident but explained that official accounts were much slower than press accounts and therefore no statement was being made at present.
Meanwhile, a Foreign Office statement on the recent killing of a Chinese hawk in Hong Kong, expressed the Chinese Government's concern over the incident and disclosed that the authorities in Kwangtung had been instructed to make strong representations to the Hong Kong Government.
The text of the statement was: "The Hong Kong hawk's case, in which Wong Shui Sheung, a peanut hawk, was allegedly killed to death by a policeman, has aroused much anxiety both in Canton and in Nanking."
"Dr. Kan Nai-kwang, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs, has informed the British authorities here that the Chinese Government attaches great importance to this case and expects prompt and equitable settlement."—Reuter and United Press.

Shumchun Protest

Chinese villagers held a mass demonstration at Shumchun, on the Chinese side of the border yesterday, as a protest against Tuesday's incident.
The demonstrators are reported to have issued a manifesto calling for handing over of the British soldier to the Chinese authorities for trial, indemnity for deceased's family and withdrawal of British sentries to five kilometres from the frontier.
The dead Chinese is to be given a public funeral at Shumchun on Dec. 16.

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Virtual Failure Of British Bid

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A spokesman for the India Office disclosed today that the Government has been unable to break the deadlock between the Hindus and Moslems over Indian independence, and that the rival leaders would not be called together for a round table conference.
Instead, members of the Cabinet: mission and the Viceroy, Lord Wavell, would meet Pandit Nehru, Sardar Baldev Singh, Mohammed Ali Jinnah and Ali Khan separately tomorrow, the spokesman said.
The Government's decision came after a meeting of the Cabinet mission with Lord Wavell and Prime Minister Attlee had been followed by a specially summoned session of the Cabinet.
Government sources immediately interpreted the Cabinet-level decision as meaning virtual failure of Britain's bid to assure success of the Dec. 9 meeting of the Indian Constituent Assembly and to avert the danger of possible civil war in India.
Tomorrow's discussions will definitely be the last of the talks in London, the India Office spokesman said.
One of the first effects of Mr. Attlee's strenuous but vain attempt to mediate over the Hindu-Moslem dispute may be the prolongation of Britain's stay in India, informed sources declared.
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They added that while British policy was to stand by the Cabinet Mission's programme for Indian independence, that plan did specify that India's rival political and religious groups were to evolve an "agreed constitution."
If Jinnah stays away from the Dec. 9 Assembly meeting, the chances of agreement over India's constitution were said by these informants to be "very slender indeed."
The point of disagreement appeared to be comparatively small. It revolved around plans for grouping together Moslem provinces for representation in the Constituent Assembly.
Pandit Nehru has made it plain that the Congress Party would not give the Moslem League the status they demanded under this grouping system which he said, would "divide India." The Moslem League's Jinnah stormily declared the League was not prepared to make Moslems subject to the will of a Hindu majority which would "defeat justice."

Nanking Army Nears Dairen

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The Nationalists today advanced to within five air miles of Dairen as the Chinese Communists launched a large-scale offensive in North and Northwest China, according to official dispatches.
The Hsin Min Pao claimed in a Mukden dispatch that the Chinese Reds have given up Shihho, 10 air miles and Kinghsien, five air miles north of Dairen, along the South Manchuria Railway and that the Nationalists took over these cities without a fight, but are awaiting top level orders before entering the port of Dairen.
A Ta Kung Pao report said there were no signs of the Communists preparing to defend Dairen while the Central Daily News claimed that the Communists in Port Arthur and Dairen were using 60-Junks and 50 smaller ships in ferrying troops and equipment to east Shantung.
Meanwhile diplomatic circles in Nanking said negotiations to take over Dairen have not been completed while the Foreign Office spokesman insisted he had no knowledge of such talks.
Peking dispatches said Red troops in the Shansi-Hopei border region have reached Shanai in a drive toward Taiyuan, provincial capital of Shansi, while another 20,000 reportedly are moving from Wuan, Honan Province, 130 miles north of Kiating, to join in the Taiyuan offensive.
Central News said 10,000 Reds have reached Chungyang, southwest of Taiyuan, and other columns also are converging on Chungyang.—United Press.

Terror In Sarafand

Jerusalem, Dec. 5.
A British officer and two soldiers were believed killed and an undetermined number wounded today when a bomb exploded at Sarafand, an Army township halfway between Jerusalem and Tel-Aviv.
Unofficial reports said a truck was driven up and parked outside an office building in Sarafand at noon and 15 minutes later there was an explosion which destroyed the building.
One unidentified body was recovered and rescue workers were searching for others.—United Press.

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He added: "The French Government will repay the outstanding balance of advances granted to them by the British Government under Article One of the financial agreement of March 27, 1945, in 12 equal annual instalments, beginning on 1st September, 1950." After taking into account the payment by the French Government of £50 million, the remainder due is £90,182,750. Interest at half per cent will be charged on the principal.
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Europeans' Limbs Hacked Off

Tokyo, Dec. 5.
Between 80 and 100 Europeans with hands bound behind were driven into the sea at the point of Japanese bayonets and after they were pushed into deep water the Japanese opened fire, killing all, according to evidence introduced at the Tokyo war crimes trial today.
The incident, known as the "Dan Kampong Massacre," took place in the Netherlands East Indies on Feb. 24, 1942.
The prosecution introduced a signed affidavit by 28-year-old Joseph Theodor van Amstel, Dutch sailor, who witnessed the massacre disguised as an Indonesian while standing among townspeople who were forced by the Japanese to view the orgy.
One Hollander was tied to a cocoon tree and bayoneted to death. Two others had their arms and legs hacked off by a swordbrandishing Japanese officer, the evidence stated.
Another Dutchman, who also had his arms and legs chopped off, was made to stand upon his bloody stumps before he was stabbed to death with a series of bayonet charges into the body.
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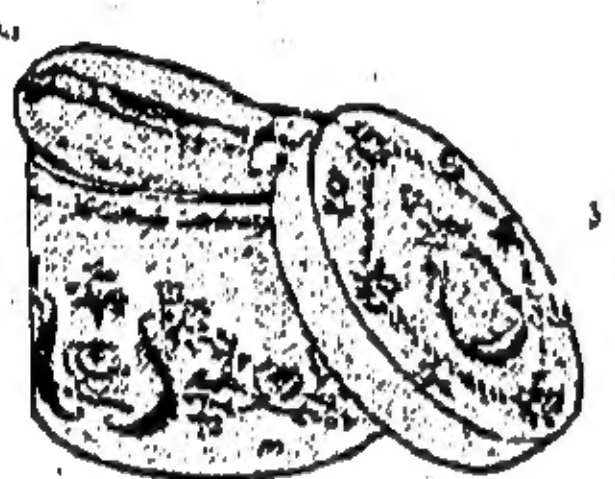
Yenan Produces Good One

Nanking, Dec. 5. Yenan radio yesterday charged that General Yasutugu Okamura, former C-in-C of the Japanese expeditionary forces in China, has been publicly appointed as liaison officer by Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek.

The broadcast said that instead of being treated as a criminal, Gen. Okamura is now an honoured guest of the Government. It said Chiang has reached an agreement with Gen. MacArthur and Gen. Marshall for the return of many Japanese officers to China as advisors and training officers for the Kuomintang troops. It said it has been an open secret that Gen. Okamura is acting as military adviser to Chiang Kai-shek in the latter's war against his own people.

Commenting on the Yenan government officials admitted that Gen. Okamura is still in Nanking but pointed out that he is kept in Nanking in order to establish liaison with Japanese POWs. —United Press.

Manila, Dec. 4. A speedup to the trials of some 500 Japanese war criminals suspected in the Philippines is under way in compliance with orders of Alva C. Carpenter, Chief of the Legal Section of General Douglas MacArthur's headquarters. —Associated Press.



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"FATTY" LAU DENIES TORTURE ALLEGATIONS

Scap Currency Dictate

Tokyo, Dec. 4. General Douglas MacArthur's Has today ordered the surrender of foreign currencies and foreign exchange instruments held by all persons in Japan except non-Japanese nationals.

The Japanese Government was directed to effect relinquishment of foreign assets to the Bank of Japan which will place them under special custody until disposition by SCAP.

Possession of foreign currency and foreign exchange instruments will be illegal after December 31. Excepted from surrender are Japanese military notes and notes from the Central Reserve Bank of China; Federal Reserve Bank of China; Southern Regions Development Bank; Bank of Mongolia and Bank of Manchou. The other applies, however, to notes of the Bank of Chosen and the Bank of Taiwan.—United Press.

Film Review

There are many reasons why Germany lost both this war and the last—to enumerate them would alter this column from a film review to a chapter of history. But why Germany actually started the war in each case can be traced to a specific reason—a mistake in psychology. She believed that a country had only to be overrun to be defeated, and once every nation had suffered the same fate, the master race would be supreme. What could be more simple? And if there were any minor revolts, well, shoot a hundred hostages. What she did not realize was that while political issues may not worry the common people, while even a change of government by force might not worry them, any encroachment on personal rights, liberty and safety arouses patriotism to the highest pitch.

The majority of John Steinbeck's novels have a psychological slant, and "The Moon is Down" the story of the German occupation of a small Norwegian town, besides being no exception, makes one of the finest films of the war. The people are dazed by the speed of the occupation, even more so by the discovery that one of their own townsmen is responsible for its ease. The German Colonel (Sir Cedric Hardwicke), a psychologist in his own way, plays on this fact to keep order, but his subordinates think along different lines, with the result that an insult leads to the death of a German officer and the execution of his slayer.

Gradually the mood of the townspeople changes as the full meaning of the situation becomes clearer, and the Colonel's attempt to find a solution with as little force as possible is ruined when the Norwegian traitor is given extraordinary powers. A number of dynamite take place and he insists that the Mayor should die if any further incident occurs, thinking the threat will have the desired effect. It does not, of course, but the climax is reached when the all-important mine is blown up even as the Mayor is led to the scaffold.

Sir Cedric Hardwicke is

Standing in the witness box throughout yesterday's resumed hearing of his trial on charges of collaboration, Lau Kwing-yun, better known as Fatty Lau, denied that he had tortured any of the Crown's 13 witnesses but admitted in some cases that he was with the Japanese in their arrest.

Lau alleged that the trouble was started by Lai Chak-po (principal witness for the Crown) who wanted favours from the Japanese, by giving away his friends. Lau further alleged that Rampal Ghillotte was personal informer to Mori-yama.

The trial, which reached its fifth day yesterday, is being heard before Mr. Justice T. J. Gould at the Criminal Sessions. Mr. J. Reynolds, Crown Counsel, assisted by Inspector J. Bradley of the Special Branch, is conducting the Crown's case.

Lau is alleged to have assisted the Japanese Gendarmes in arrest, interrogation under torture or infliction of grievous bodily harm on 13 suspected British agents while a member of the Japanese Gendarmerie.

Kimberley Road
Resuming his evidence yesterday morning, Lau said that from the Supreme Court, the party escorted four persons to Stanley.

About 30 minutes later interpreter Lau brought Chang Ku-cheng out of his cell, and ordered him to bring Chan Pak-wah out. It was then 4 p.m. after which he said he was told by Mori-yama to go to Hong Kong. Thereafter he never went to Stanley until July when escorting other prisoners to the prison.

While with Lai Kit in front of No. 69, Kimberley Road, Mori-yama ordered both to follow him. Walking along Nathan Road, near the old C.B.S., Mori-yama signalled them to follow a Chinese. When the Chinese came to Kimberley Road, Mori-yama came up and arrested him. He was taken to No. 69.

Later, Mori-yama ordered them to go with him in a car to Lai Chak-po's house. The party went up, but he stayed downstairs. The party brought Lai out and proceeded to another house in the next street at the direction of Lai.

After arresting Ma Leung from this house at the information of Lai Chak-po the party drove back to No. 69.

Woman's Arrest
At 8 p.m. that night Lai Chak-po led Mori-yama, Lai Kit, himself and others in a car to a house in Jordan Road and had Mrs. Sum arrested and taken back to No. 69. At 11 p.m. he was ordered by Mori-yama to take Mrs. Sum back and to remain in her house.

While in Mrs. Sum's home the next morning he heard a police whistle and went up to the roof where he saw Mr. Sum. Lau admitted that he finally took Sum to No. 69 after advising him to have his breakfast at home.

coldly efficient, but the honours go to Henry Travers as the Mayor's changing attitude and pathetically stubborn determination to do the right are extremely touching and symbolic of the so lately oppressed countries. "The Moon is Down", a memorable film, is showing at the Queen's.

Strong Soviet Attack On MacArthur

Moscow, Dec. 5. The political aims which General Douglas MacArthur is pursuing in Japan are assailed as reactionary and the conditions of the Allied Council in Tokyo are termed abnormal in one of the strongest protests over the Japanese situation ever to appear in the Soviet press.

Political commentator A. Sibirsky writes in the "Red Star" that "the policy conducted by MacArthur (of course, not without knowledge and approval of the State Department) pursues aims far from democratic aims and sharply departs from the policy planned by the Allied leaders for Japan."

Sibirsky expresses "serious alarm" over the present situation of Japan. He characterizes the situation as "one of daily rising tension caused by the Government's inability and lack of desire to solve internal problems such as unemployment and demilitarization."

"Complete Failure"
Sibirsky says "the present situation in Japan not only is a proof of the complete failure of the policy of Yoshida's Government but the natural consequence of the line pursued by MacArthur, without whose support

C-IN-C RETURNING

Vice-Admiral Sir Denis Boyd, Commander-in-Chief, British Pacific Fleet, is due back today in HMS Belfast after a short cruise in which he visited Batavia and Singapore.

Interim Govt. Proposed

Nanking, Dec. 4. The Kuomintang delegate, Ku Yu-hsueh, former Vice-Minister of Education, today proposed to the National Assembly that an interim government should be established, according to the Political Consultative Council resolutions, immediately after the National Assembly concludes its sessions.

He also proposed the establishment of a political council consisting of 300 National Assembly delegates and 200 PCC members as a sort of "interim National Assembly" until a constitutional government was instituted. He also urged the formation of a "constitutional rule promotion association," comprising Assembly delegates, to supervise the introduction of constitutional rules.

Mr. Ku said the State Council should be reorganized according to PCC resolutions with the approval of the Assembly and advocated that the interim Legislative Yuan be broadened to 400 members and the Control Yuan to 200 to take in National Assembly delegates as well as Third Party representatives.

Official reaction to the drastic proposals which would give the present constitution-making National Assembly the leading voice in the interim Government was not yet available, but Mr. Ku's speech was welcomed by delegates with loud applause.—United Press.

to try and locate the inter-
preters.

In cross-examination, Lau maintained that he never ill-treated any of the Crown witnesses and declared that he had to work for the Japanese Police Force for a living, just as Naval Dockyard workers had to work for a living though they knew their lives were endangered by Allied bombings.

In answer to further questions, Lau maintained that Ghillotte was Mori-yama's personal informer, and that the whole trouble was started by Lai Chak-po who wanted favours from Mori-yama by giving away his friends.

The case was adjourned to this morning.

Chinese Killed In Haiphong

Paris, Dec. 4. Fifty Chinese civilians were killed and 23 injured during the recent Franco-Vietnam fighting in the Chinese quarter of Haiphong, in northern French Indochina, it was announced in Hanoi today by a delegation from the Chinese Consulate-General on its return from an investigation of the scene of fighting.

This information was contained in a despatch received today from the Hanoi correspondent of the Agence France Presse.

Damage to property had left more than 300 homeless, the despatch said. One Chinese home in five, it was alleged, had been destroyed or damaged. Several Chinese shops were broken into and large quantities of merchandise were either destroyed or stolen.

The French military authorities are helping to feed the refugees by distributing rice. The newly established "Chinese Mutual Aid Association" in Hanoi today asked the Chinese Consul-General to take necessary measures to protect Chinese subjects in case of further incidents.

(The fighting lasted roughly two weeks and although no definite armistice has been signed, skirmishing is now spasmodic).—Reuter.

Shantung Fighting

Beiping, Dec. 5. Chinese press reports say that a strong Chinese Communist force of more than 50,000 troops on Wednesday launched a fierce attack on Kiang and Kichang, east Shantung towns 50 and 60 miles across the Tientsin Bay from Tientsin, which is one of the anchorages of the United States fleet in the Far East.

The Government reports admitted that the Communists succeeded in a drive against the Nationalist defenses south of the Tientsin-Taiwan Railway. The reports said the Nationalists repulsed the Communists after furious fighting, and recaptured the railway which, however, has been already damaged by Communist saboteurs.

The Chinese Communists were again reported to be ferrying reinforcements from Dairen, isolated Communist-held south Manchurian port, to eastern Shantung to join in the battle.

The reports said that a fleet of junks was standing by in Dairen as well as Port Arthur for ferrying troops from Manchuria to the Shantung peninsula across the Gulf of Chihli. Chinese naval units based at Tientsin have been instructed to intercept the troop junks.

Meanwhile, Mukden reports received here said the Nationalists were still making time outside Dairen waiting orders to enter the port and take over the administration.—United Press.

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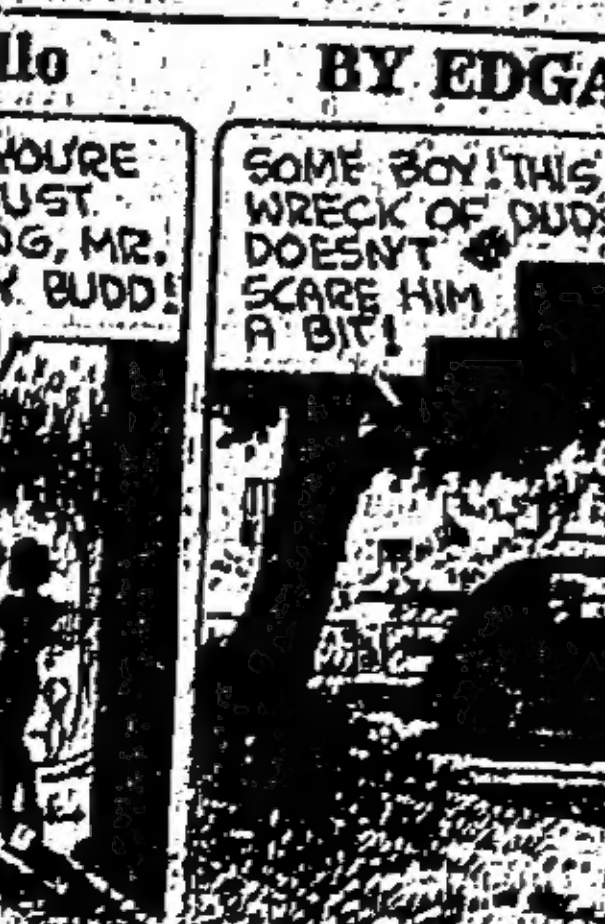
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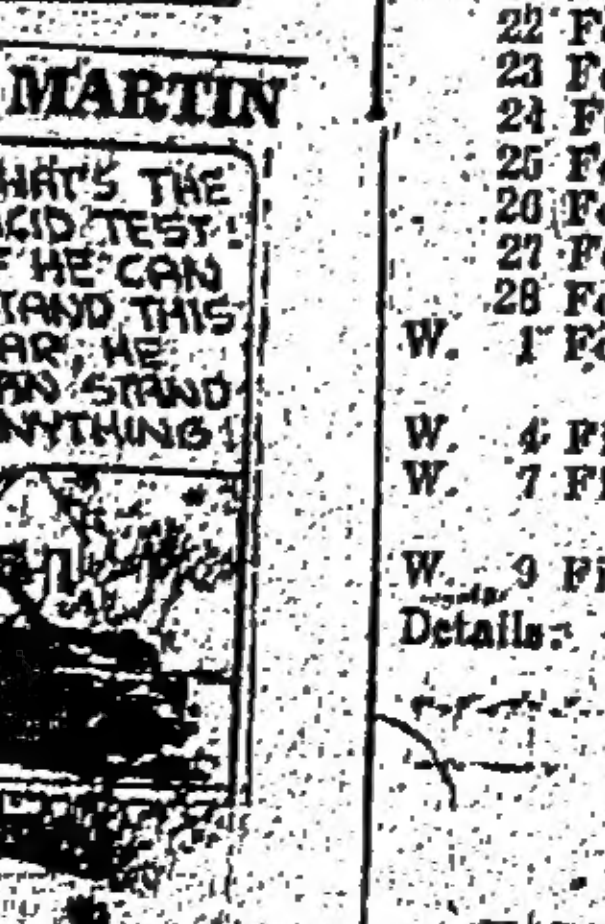
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WESTMINSTER CHIMES

Liveliness On The Back Benches

London, November, 8th. With formal prorogation of this session of Parliament, Government has little cause for disquiet so far as its general standing is concerned. Apart from the fact that it has placed over ninety new enactments on

By ROY CARLETON

the Statute Book, results of the municipal elections show clearly that the Labour policy is interpreted by Atlee and Co. still holds the confidence of the majority of electorate.

As I have remarked in former reviews of Westminster scene the House of Commons atmosphere is always defiantly unpredictable. The Trade debate was a case in point. Originally initiated by the Liberal group because they wanted to know more about how far we in Britain are tied to America, financial tail it should have taken place some little time back if that had happened the Government might have had less gloomy answers to give. But the absence of the Liberal leader, Clement Davies, in India caused postponement. Even then he could not appear, so Lieut. Colonel Byers Liberal M.P. North Dorset deputised. In opening the debate moved sluggishly until H.A. Marquand (Labour M.P. East Cardiff) Secretary of Overseas Trade came in to bat. Then we got some rather ominous jolts for what he said was construed everywhere as meaning that Government's advisers anticipated the grave danger that we may in the near future run into another slump such as afflicted us and America in 1929.

Once more the Government's own lively back benches showed their independence. They almost completely seized the bowling from the surprised hands of the opposition and Mr. Marquand began to realise he was on a dangerous wicket. The Alarm that engendered was so serious that he was put up at a special meeting a few nights later to water down the effects. He then tried to assure us that he had not been exactly predicting a depression but had merely informed us that the Government was preparing against the possibility of another of the world's regularly recurring trade depressions. That, he added, did not necessarily mean that such depressions are inevitable in the future.

Whatever he really meant, there can be no doubt he succeeded in spreading a new wave of depression over the public mind which other events in the United States are doing nothing to dispel.

Another and even more important member of the Government, Mr. George Isaacs, was grateful one hopes to the rules of House which rescued him from a similarly awkward predicament.

One of his own back benches Ellis Smith (Stoke) until recently Sir Stafford Cripps' colleague at the Board of Trade, tried to pin down something definite as to the Government's views on the forty-hours week controversy. Mr. Isaacs produced the customary sick departmental reply which revealed nothing, anyone did not know anyway.

Ellis Smith was not going to be put off this way and

asked: Do the Government accept the principle of the forty-hour week?

Again Isaacs took refuge in a non-committal reply previously prepared for him in anticipation of this supplementary question, whereupon Sir Ian Fraser sensing Isaacs' embarrassment challenged him on a point of order. He asked the chair: Is it in order for a Minister, so far to anticipate a supplementary question as to have it written down?

Whether the Speaker would have ruled against Mr. Isaacs or not is not clear, because Henry Strauss rather too hastily pumped in another supplementary: Have not His Majesty's Government any views whatsoever on the merits of this question? which gave the unhappy Mr. Isaacs opportunity to utter: I have nothing to add to the answer I have already given, and gave the Speaker the chance to call the next question quickly to save Mr. Isaacs from his very undignified difficulty.

Interest in National Health Service Bill chiefly concentrated around two amendments which the House of Lords insisted on adding last week and which then involved Government defeat in the Lords' lobbies on both occasions. Everybody knew the Government could not take this lying down and everybody now knows that the House of Lords will quietly accept the return smack in the eye which the Commons gave when it rejected both amendments.

In one case the Lords wanted doctors to be paid entirely by capitation fees, but Mr. Bevan insisted that the basic salary element must be retained, plus capitation fees though he assured the opposition that this was not the beginning of a full-time salaried medical service.

The second issue had an innocently localised look about it but under its skin was full of wider implications. The Bill places maternity and child welfare services in London under the care of the London County Council. The Lords wanted them to remain with the City of London and Metropolitan Boroughs. When their challenging amendment was being discussed by the Commons, Mr. Bevan let fall a significant remark which indicated that although the immediate subject of the clash was a London domestic matter he was contemplating the early possibility of a complete remodelling of local government all over the country.

The incident produced a somewhat bitter sword crossing engagement between Mr. R. K. Law (Conservative M.P. Kensington) and Alderman Key, Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, who was piloting the Bill through the final stages.

Law, with an air of innocence that disarmed nobody, pointed out the curious fact that when Mr. Key acted in his other capacity, as Chairman of the Metropolitan Boroughs' standing Joint Committee, he used all his great influence and persuasion to bring about precisely that division of powers which the Lords' amendment asked for and which he now, as Parliamentary Secretary to the Ministry of Health, was piloting the Bill through the final stages.

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There is a newspaper, of course, covering all phases of life. There is the "Gazeta," which covers arts. There are papers which devote columns to science and medicine and a paper for Soviet sports.

In many cities and towns of Russia, one can find "local Pravdas."

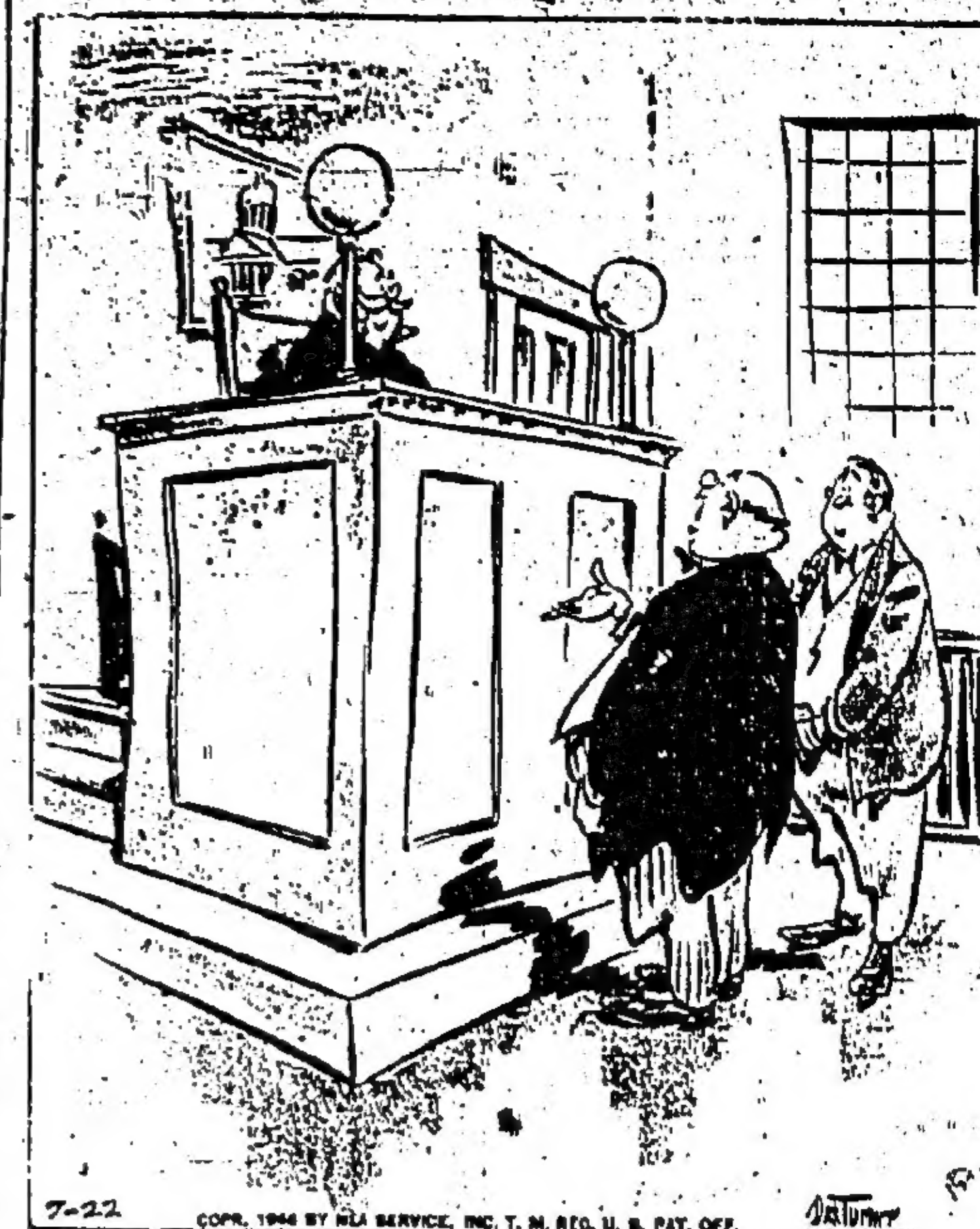
Newspapers in Russia pass through many hands in offices and homes and it is no exaggeration to say that every word is read by millions daily.

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CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner



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Newspapers of the Soviet Union are not interested in

MONOPOLY OF THE BOMB

By RANDOLPH CHURCHILL

One of the arguments used by those who are anxious to hand the atom bomb over to Russia without making proper arrangements to ensure that it will not be used to make aggressive war, is that the few remaining secrets of its manufacture are so trivial as to make their retention, valueless in a very short space of time. It is therefore suggested that a gesture of this kind would be an easy way of securing Russian good will.

There is an obvious absurdity in this. For why, if in fact the secret is virtually valueless, should the Russians be gratified at having it passed on to them?

It is true, of course, that in one sense there is no longer any real secret. It has been known in nearly every country in the world for the last 25 years that it was theoretically possible to make an atom bomb. And as soon as the first one exploded in public over Hiroshima, every scientist in the world realized that it had become a practical proposition.

But there remain extraordinary difficulties in the way of actually manufacturing the bomb, and it is reliably estimated that it would take Russia at least seven years from now to produce one on her own. And it is further estimated that, if the secrets of the American engineering technique were to be published, that time would be reduced from seven years to about five. This cannot be dismissed as a negligible difference, since it is clear that as long as the United States has a monopoly of the bomb the peace of the world is assured.

More Foolish

The same optimistic people who advocate the pooling of all information on the subject also hold that the United States should immediately cease further production of the bomb. This suggestion is even more foolish than the other, if adopted, would do as much as not more to jeopardize the uneasy peace we now enjoy.

Exactly how many bombs the United States possesses is a jealously guarded secret, but there is good reason to believe that there are now more than a thousand in the "stockpile." America therefore has a seven-year start, plus at least a thousand bombs. In case no international control plan should be achieved, by the time Russia succeeded in producing one bomb, America would have many thousands of far more deadly ones and, in addition, would certainly have perfected a quicker and more economical method of production.

To argue, as so many do, that the present policy gives no guarantee of permanent peace, is dishonest. There is no method yet devised by man that can do that. And half a loaf is better than no bread. This being so, it is quite certain that we must follow the course of action which will ensure the longest possible time to devise some more permanent method of assuring world peace.

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DEATHS

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ford, and dearly loved son of
Lady Anderson, of Bally-
david, Waterford.

McCALLUM.—On Sunday, Nov.
24, 1946, Mary Frances
Cubiffe McCallum, of 68,
Campden Hill Court, Ken-
sington, wife of the late W.
R. McCallum, of the Hong-
kong & Shanghai Banking
Corporation, aged 78 years.

INDIA

The grave anxiety regarding the situation in India has undergone no important modification as the result of the flying visit to London of the Viceroy and four Indian leaders. Hopes of a solution depend entirely upon discovery of a formula satisfactory to both Moslems and Hindus, and that in its turn requires a genuine endeavour by the two major communities to make possible some degree of cooperation. Of that the signs are not propitious, unless it is considered reasonable to infer that Mr. Jinnah and Mr. Nehru would not have accepted the invitation to London were they wholly unprepared to discuss compromise suggestions. The talks are only just entering the round-table conference stage, and it is early to form conclusions. It must be obvious however that if the Cabinet Mission and Mr. Atlee between them fail to convince India's leaders of the necessity for a measure of give-and-take, the whole elaborate plan of the Cabinet Mission will come to naught. Then, indeed, the "struggle on a large scale" that Pandit Nehru foreshadowed when revealing that he and his colleagues in the Interim Government have already twice threatened to resign, may become inevitable. Up to now, all efforts to promote a Coalition spirit among the members of the Interim Government have failed. The two sections, Moslem and Hindu, act as groups to thwart one another, with both blaming the British for the consequent breakdown of administration. To add to the tension Pandit Nehru, who exalted the Indian deserters that aided the Japanese in Burma into national heroes, threatens the punishment of the officers and men of the Army who saved the country in the orgy of destruction that followed the arrest of the Congress leaders in 1942. Each party in turn demands that the Viceroy shall use his powers to supersede the Moslem League Ministry in Bengal and the Congress Ministry in Bihar, both of which have failed to prevent mass killings in their provinces. Any such exercise of the emergency powers that the Viceroy still retains would precipitate a constitutional crisis of the gravest order and add new fuel to the flames of communal passion. But the main endeavour of both sections is to force the other out of the Government, leaving supreme power in its own hands. In the crisis that has been deliberately brought about much turns on whether the Moslem League can be persuaded to take its place in the Constituent Assembly. Mr. Jinnah has insisted on postponement though correspondence with the Viceroy, now made public, shows that the Moslem League representatives entered the Government after full acceptance of the Cabinet Mission plan. Persistence in the threat of abstention would bring matters to a head at once. Were the Moslems now to agree to enter the Assembly, which would be the path of wisdom, the work of that body, which may have to frame some 15 local and central constitutions, must occupy years. During that time Government must be carried on. No ordered administration would be possible with two sections of the Ministry in open antagonism, and with the Civil Service, the Army and the police under attack from the platforms of the political organisations, and the Viceroy accused of partiality. India's fate is in the hands of the leaders now in London. There is the duty and power to prevent the catastrophe that has been predicted by every opponent of independence and the time available is perilously short.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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IT IS UP to you to tell your partner when to play his ace which can block the run of the dummy's otherwise solid suit. You can do it by telling him how many cards you hold in the suit, and simple subtraction then will enable him to reckon exactly how many the declarer has. If you have exactly three cards, play your lowest on the first round, and your next to lowest on the second. With any other number, play a high one on the first trick and a lower one on the second.

S 0 6 4
H K A J 7 4 3
D A 2
C 7 5 2

S J 9 2
H A 10
D J 10 6 5
C 8 6 3

South West North East
1D Pass 1H Pass
1S Pass 2H Pass
2NT Pass 3H Pass

West cleared out the dummy's only side entry for the hearts when he led the diamond Q to the A. The declarer immediately led the heart K from the dummy, East playing the 2 and West holding up his A. The spade 9 was then sent through to the J and West sent back the diamond 9, which South ducked, and the J, which he took with the K. Then came three tricks in spades and four in clubs to give South a total of ten.

When East played the 2 on the heart K, West read that as indicating East had exactly three cards of the suit, and south therefore two. So he of course held up his A for the second round. If East had played the 3, West would have known it could not be "the bottom of three." It could not be a singleton or singleton, because then South would have had enough to have supported the rebel hearts—and anyway, what West did in that case would have made no difference. West had to (Continued at foot of Next Col.)

repd it as be-tokening four cards, and South therefore as having a singleton.

In that event, West would have played his A on the first heart trick, shutting South out of tricks in the suit. A diamond return could have knocked out the K, whereupon South could not have run enough tricks for game. East could have unblocked spades by tossing the Q on the A or K, and West, then would have beaten the contract.

Tomorrow's Problem

S K Q J 5
H A 10
D Q 9 6 5 4 2
C 4 3

S 6 4 3
H J 5 2
D K 7
C A K 9 8 5

S A 3 7 2
H 6 4
D J 10 8 3
C 10 6 2

(Dealer: East. North-South vulnerable.)

SOVIET FOREIGN POLICY SWITCH

Russia To Support U.S. Disarmament Plan

Position Of U.K. Defined

Lake Success, N.Y., Dec. 4. "The Soviet Government favour adopting the decision regarding a general reduction of armaments and the prohibition of atomic weapons by the Security Council," said Soviet Foreign Minister Molotov, when he announced Russian support (with reservations) of the American disarmament plan at today's meeting of the United Nations Political Committee.

Sir Hartley Shawcross (Britain) told the meeting that "there is no kind of equivocation about the position of the United Kingdom... the great desire of the United Kingdom delegation is to ensure that some really effective scheme is brought into operation rapidly." He described pious or platitudinous proposals and called for a concrete plan.

The Political Committee agreed to set up a sub-committee to produce a common draft on the various disarmament proposals submitted to the U.N.O. The sub-committee consists of Great Britain, the United States, France, the Netherlands, Canada, India, Czechoslovakia, Panama, China, Norway, Poland, Mexico, Brazil, Australia, Colombia, Argentina, Syria, Ukraine and Belgium.

"Any attempt to prevent control or inspection would be nothing but violation of the Security Council's decision," said Sir Hartley Shawcross. "Talk about veto in connection with control and inspection is devoid of foundation." M. Molotov declared. In announcing Russian support with reservations of the United States proposals, Mr. Molotov said the Soviet had found support to a varying degree in all the drafts submitted to the Committee.

"It appears to us that the American draft is worthy of particular attention in this respect. But we cannot be satisfied with the draft in the form presented," he added.

"One-Sided" "We consider it insufficiently clear and somewhat one-sided. We shall submit our amendments to this draft. We are prepared not to insist on the draft we have submitted and to express our willingness to take the American draft as the basis for future discussion."

The American proposals regarding inspection should be amplified by the Soviet suggestions for the establishment of two control commissions—one for the reduction of armaments and the other regarding the use of atomic energy. Mr. Molotov paused slightly before he went on to the next vital point—the question of veto on control and inspection.

He said: "There is need to dispel the obvious misunderstanding which has arisen in the course of discussion. The Soviet Government favour adopting the decision regarding a general reduction of armaments and the prohibition of atomic weapons by the Security Council."

"Adoption of such decision involves a number of difficulties. Only achievement of unanimity in the Security Council can guarantee the adoption of any decision regarding a reduction of armaments. Not one power

FALKENHORST GETS 20 YEARS

Frankfurt, Dec. 4. The death sentence passed on General Nikolaus von Falkenhorst, former German Commander-in-Chief in Norway, has been commuted to 20 years imprisonment, the German news service reported today, quoting a British headquarters announcement.

General von Falkenhorst was sentenced by the British War Crimes Court at Brunswick on August 2 for ordering British and Norwegian commandos to be shot, or handed over to the Gestapo. He is sixty years of age.—Reuter.

Quickest Way Is Up The Pole

Oslo, Dec. 5. Bernt Balchen, Director of the Norwegian Airlines and former Arctic explorer, is confident that soon regular commercial flying routes will cross the North Pole.

In an interview with Associated Press, Balchen said that it probably would be only 10 to 12 years before passenger planes would fly over the North Polar regions as part of their daily routine.

"Atmospheric conditions are better there than in any other part of the world," Balchen said. "The atmosphere is lower, therefore it is easier to climb above it. Cold does not matter. It has no effect on modern planes."

"It is 2,000 miles shorter between Paris and San Francisco if you go across the North Pole," Balchen said. "The shortest route from Honolulu to Cairo is across the Pole. If you want to fly from New York to Shanghai, the shortest route is across the North Pole."

Norway, Greenland, Alaska, and Canada provided stopping places for planes forced down in flight, he said.

"But that will hardly be necessary very often in 10 years' time. Even now, modern passenger planes can fly from New York to London without landing. Ten years from now, they can do it with greater safety," Associated Press.

Growing Tension In Northern Iran

London, Dec. 4. Iranian Government troops were reported tonight to have crossed the frontier into the "home rule" province of Azerbaijan in Northern Iran. The present rulers of the province—the Central Committee of the Azerbaijan Democratic Party—issued a proclamation over the Tabriz radio, saying the Central Government troops had attacked Azerbaijan soldiers.

Worldwide Narcotics Control

Lake Success, Dec. 4. The 20 members of the United Nations Narcotic Drugs Commission unanimously approved "in principle" a plan for worldwide control of narcotics on a regional basis, as well as a specific plan for restrictive measures in Japan and Korea.

A seven-nation committee, composed of representatives of China, France, India, Netherlands, United Kingdom, United States and the Soviet Union, was named by the Commission chairman to "examine aspects" of the proposals which were approved.

The plan, submitted by Dr. Sze, referred principally to Japan and called also for consideration of the possibility of arriving at a similar agreement with Korea when that country has a Korean Government.

An amendment proposed by Egypt vastly broadened the scope of the proposal and would commit the United Nations to considering establishment of "other systems of regional control."

The United States (United States) welcomed the Soviet move, adding: "We are not prepared at the moment to accept the amendments as proposed by M. Molotov, but will give them the most serious consideration."

"The United States insists that the jurisdiction, prestige and authority of the Atomic Energy Commission shall not be disturbed, weakened or watered down, but that they will continue to perform the functions with which they have been invested."

The Canadian delegate affirmed that "the world will be grateful to the Soviet Foreign Minister for the great hope which his speech holds out to the world."

M. Molotov declared that he had no objection to the fundamental principles enunciated by Sir Hartley Shawcross and was prepared to accept the American proposal as a basis for discussion, with the hope that the Soviet modifications would be accepted.

"Sir Hartley replied: 'If we can go forward in this spirit we may accomplish work of great value to mankind and restore confidence between us.'"

Jewish Terrorism Denounced

Jerusalem, Dec. 4. Jewish terrorism was denounced tonight in the most strongly worded anti-terrorist declaration yet to emanate from responsible Jewish leaders. "Bloodshed must cease" said a joint statement issued by the temporary Executive of the Jewish Agency and the Jewish National Council.

The statement drew the "urgent attention of the Yishuv (Jewish community) to the grave dangers and disasters that threaten the entire Yishuv if terrorist outrages of isolated groups do not immediately cease."

The statement continued: "In its struggle against the British White Paper policy with all suffering and bitterness included, organized Yishuv never hesitated to march under the banner of Zionism by the murder of innocent British soldiers and policemen."

"A small minority of the community, defying the discipline of Yishuv and the Zionist movement, and acting on its own urging, is using murder and terror as a political weapon."

A Tel-Aviv message said that five armed men, carrying an unconscious wounded Jew, broke into the Hadassah Hospital tonight and at the point of a gun ordered the surgeon to "take care of our friend."

Before the surgeon could make a preliminary diagnosis, the wounded man died—reportedly of bullet wounds. The five gunmen escaped.

Arms Hauls

Enough small arms ammunition to equip 8,000 men on a "wartime scale" of 60 rounds a man have been seized by the British Army in raids on Jewish underground arms dumps during the last 12 months, according to a "conservative estimate" given officially tonight.

The number of rounds of small arms ammunition unearthed was nearly 1,400,000. In the same period more than 3,000 rounds of small arms ammunition were seized from the Arabs.

Belgian Claim For Losses

Brussels, Dec. 4. Belgium claimed a share in "any economic advantages temporarily or permanently enjoyed in Germany by other Allied powers" when M. Paul-Henri Spaak, Foreign Minister, put her case to the Council of Foreign Ministers in New York on November 14, it was disclosed at a meeting of the Senate Foreign Affairs Committee here today.

The claim was made as compensation for losses caused by German aggression. Belgium also demanded an equitable part in the exploitation of the natural resources of Western Germany.

The only immediate territorial claim made was for minor frontier rectifications in the region of Mouschou, where a railway line of purely Belgian importance winds in and out of Belgium and Germany, but right was reserved to make further demands "if circumstances warrant."

Guarantees Demanded

Guarantees were demanded against any measures being taken in Germany to alter the direction of natural lines of communication towards Belgian ports.

The Senate Committee also discussed today the attitude of each of the great powers towards the German problem, but no communiqué was issued and members of the Committee observed the strictest secrecy afterwards.—Reuter.

LIVELINESS ON THE BACK BENCHES

(Continued from Page 4) try of Health, was asking the Commons to reject. "I do not want now to go into the reasons for the Parliamentary Secretary's complete volte face," said Law, "I will only say in passing I think they were extraordinary and that I think they were discredited."

Up jumped Mr. Key to defend himself by giving a lecture on the ethics of team spirit and the complexities of a man who is chairman of a body, must represent its views even if he does not agree with them.

If Mr. Key had merely explained his difficulty without coupling it with the sneer that Mr. Law would never understand this which he described as the essence of Democracy, the episode might have closed there. But as he showed spleen, Mr. Law retorted with a still more caustic remark: "I do not altogether follow this new definition of team spirit and Democracy. I would rather say that anyone who changes his mind because he changes his job is in fact doing a great disservice to Democracy."

Mr. H.E. Goodrich tried to come to Mr. Key's rescue but used the wrong form of approach and the Deputy Speaker had to squash him.

Anyway this Bill is now law and even political critics admit it fits into place as a most valuable corner stone in the Government programme and will in future years be treated as opening quite a new era in social legislation.

Washington, Dec. 4. The President of the World Bank, Mr. Eugene Meyer, announced tonight he has resigned from the position of president—Mr. Meyer, who is 71, is

a former Governor of the United States Federal Reserve Bank, and former Chairman of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.—Reuter.

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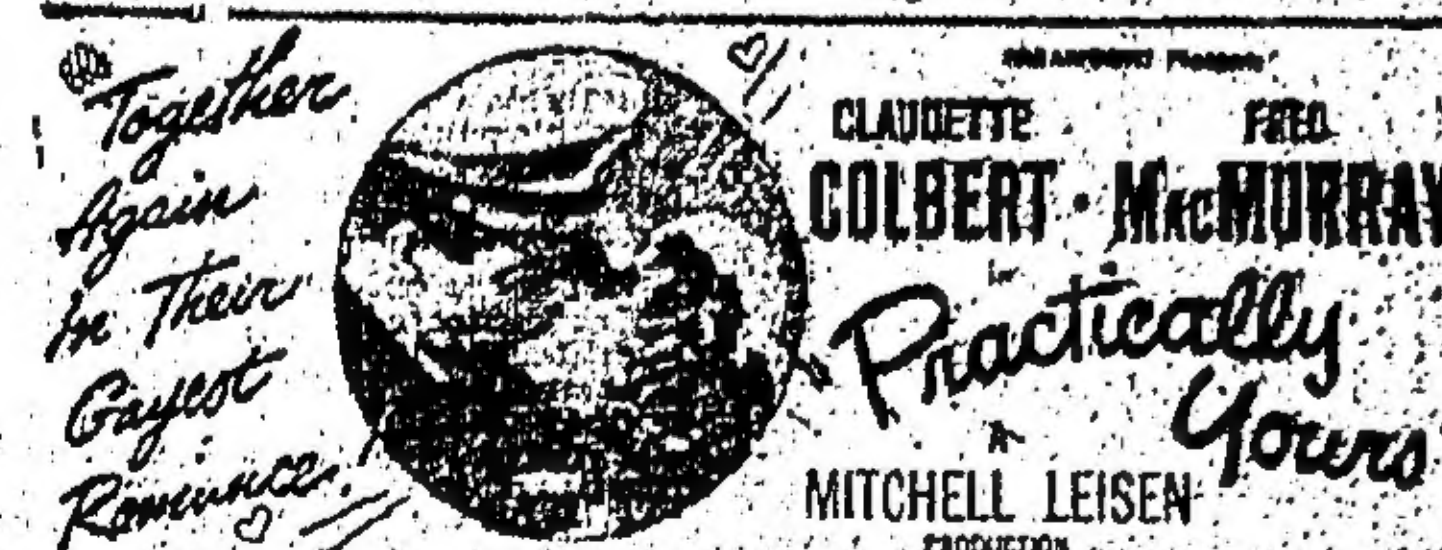
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INTERVENTION IN SPAIN IS OPPOSED BY CHINA

Lake Success, Dec. 4.

China's Dr. Wellington Koo today denounced any "intervention" in Spain such as, in his opinion, would be implied in a collective diplomatic break.

Speaking during the debate on Spain in the Political Economic Committee of the General Assembly, Dr. Koo announced China's support for the U.S. resolution which requests the Spanish Government to relinquish power to a "broadly representative Government" and adds the barring of Franco Spain from all United Nations bodies and affiliated agencies.

In rejecting various resolutions presented by Poland and Byelo-Russia aiming at a diplomatic break and economic sanctions, Dr. Koo stated that in China's view Franco Spain "may be a potential threat to peace but not an imminent threat." "Therefore," he declared, "China does not support these proposals."

Emphasizing that China had never recognized Franco and did not intend to do so in future, Dr. Koo said China did not entertain any illusions on the nature of the Franco regime.

"From the beginning, Spain fostered a hostile attitude towards my country. It supported Japan. There is no friendship for Franco in my country."

He said, however, that any action such as a diplomatic break would mean intervention.

"We support the United States proposal because it does not mean intervention but allows the Spanish people to change their Government to a representative one by free election without force or intimidation."

The United States proposals also respects the principle of self-determination of peoples. We hope the spirit of compromise which underlies the United States proposal will win it support in this Committee."

—United Press.

"International Brigades"
Madrid, Dec. 4.
The Spanish newspaper, "Informaciones," reported today that "International Brigades" were being formed in France to invade Spain, adding that Yugoslavs were among these formations.

Commenting on the United Nations debates on world relations with Franco Spain, the newspaper "ABC" said the real danger to peace was on the Pyrenees frontier.

"It is undeniable that if Maurice Thorez (French Communist leader) becomes the Premier of France, there will be an immediate repetition of the incident of October, 1944, when 5,000 Reds invaded Spain who were both equipped and (Continued at foot of next Col.)

OUTLAW THE AT-BOMB

London, Dec. 4.

The British Government is seeking to prohibit the use of the atomic bomb. The Prime Minister, Mr. Attlee, replied "Yes, sir" when asked in the House of Commons today by Communist Phil Piratin if it was the Government's intention to seek to prohibit the use of atomic bombs.

When Mr. Piratin asked if he understood from that "affirmative answer" that the British representative in the United States at this time had been informed of this opinion and was acting upon it, Mr. Attlee again replied affirmatively. —Reuter.

World Zionist Congress

Basle, Dec. 4.

The choice between Dr. Chaim Weizmann of Britain, and Rabbi Silver of the United States, as next leader of the World Zionist movement was being hotly debated today in behind-the-scenes lobbying among the delegates who have arrived here for next Monday's opening of the World Zionist Congress.

Dr. Weizmann is favoured by the majority of Zionists in Palestine and Britain, but may have to decline re-election owing to his frail health. Rabbi Silver is President of the Zionist Association of America.

A hitch has arisen over the participation in the Congress of Zionist Revisionists, who polled about thirty seats. Thirteen years ago they formed an independent Zionist organization which they intend to take part in the Congress of the organization, whose statutes prohibit delegates belonging to rival bodies. The Argun Zvai Leumi is a breakaway group from the Revisionists. The Revisionists are expected to decide their attitude at the conference here on Friday. —Reuter.

inspired by France," the paper said.

Three Clashes

Four civil guards and three presumed Maquis were shot dead in three clashes near Malaga in southern Spain today, during attempted landings from boats on to the Spanish shore.

At another unnamed point was shot dead and two men were arrested when a boat attempting to set the men ashore was intercepted.

At another unnamed point three men were shot dead while trying to land. The men are thought to have been coming from North Africa.

The third clash in which three civil guards were killed took place in the hill country at Valle de Abdalagis, near Malaga. —Reuter.

MacArthur Ban On Journalists

Washington, Dec. 4.

The War Department declined to comment on a report by columnist Drew Pearson that General Douglas MacArthur had banned representatives of several important newspapers from making a trip to Japan. They said the only comment would have to come from General MacArthur.

A series of top-level War Department conferences followed the report in Pearson's column, which said the papers whose representatives were barred included the "Christian Science Monitor," "New York Herald Tribune," "San Francisco Chronicle," "PM" and the "New York Daily Worker," because the papers opposed the Japanese occupation policy.

War Department sources said Pearson had quoted correctly from the text of a cable from General MacArthur to the War Department. They said the officer or civilian who disclosed the information to Pearson would probably be court-martialed for violating security if his identity were discovered.

The War Department Public Relations Division has been considering for some time requesting approval for a group of publishers and editors to visit Japan. This would be in line with the Army policy which enabled prominent editors and publishers to tour American-occupied areas in Europe. —United Press.

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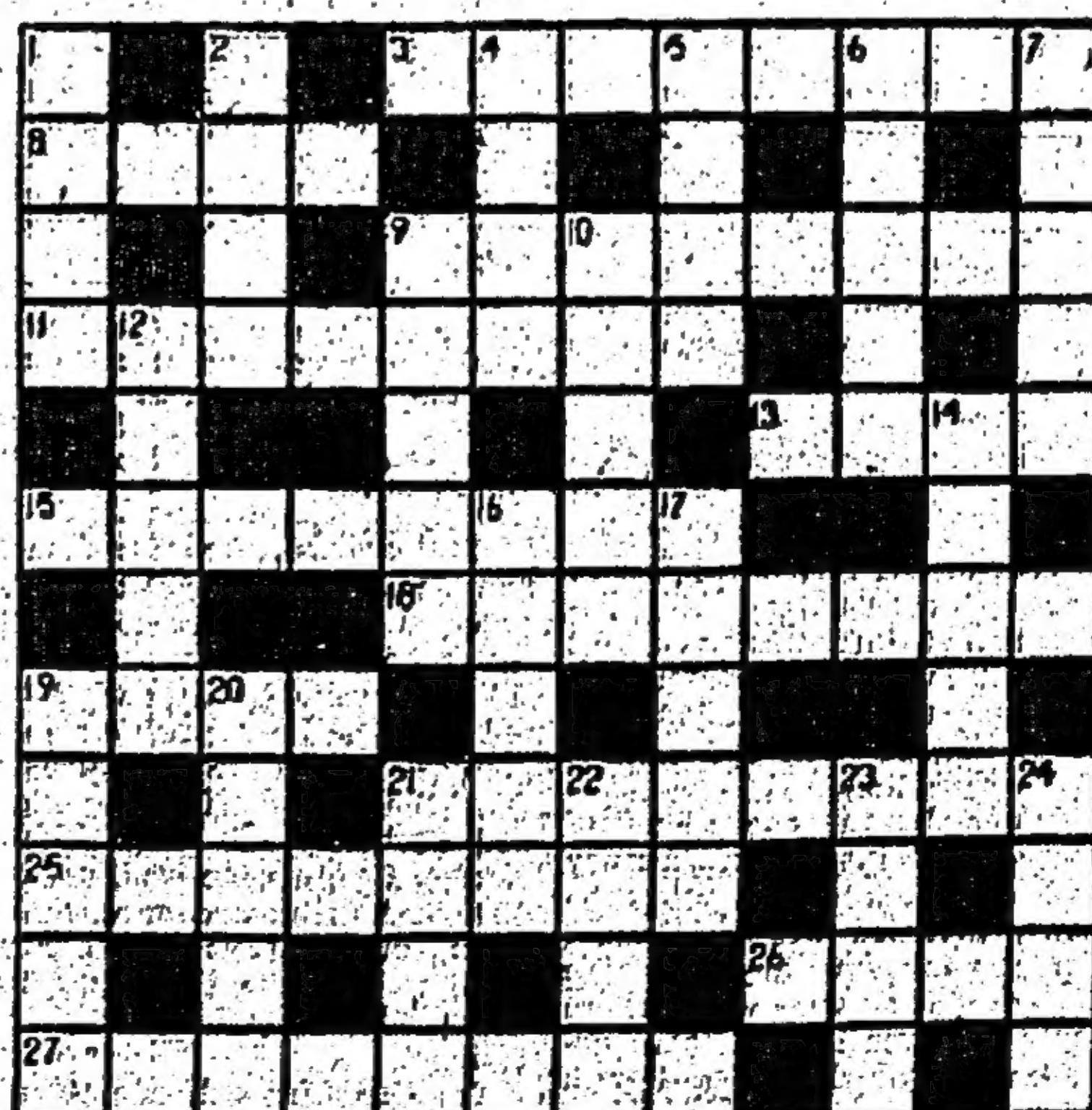
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27. Supplication.

Yesterday's Crossword

- ACROSS—1. Master; 4. Mares; 7. Nobodies; 9. Child; 11. Hamlet; 12. Evening; 13. Auster; 15. Slaved; 16. Bacon; 17. Inedible; 20. Vexed; 21. Slight; 22. Vain.
- DOWN—1. Musical; 2. Troll; 3. Roister; 4. Muscle; 5. Rapidly; 6. Ample; 7. Dream; 8. Idol; 10. Lay with stone; 11. German naval base; 12. Rush; 13. Non-metrical writing; 14. Open; 15. Wastrel; 16. Sea-dog; 17. Musical; 18. Vesper; 19. Arrest; 20. Enrich; 21. Ample; 22. Dream.

Clues Down

1. Heavy sound.
2. Type of voice.
3. Idol.
4. Lay with stone.
5. German naval base.
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MINERS' LEADER GETS FINE

Washington, Dec. 5. Federal Judge T. Alan Goldsborough fined the United Mine Workers \$3,500,000 and John L. Lewis \$10,000—but spared him a jail sentence—in the contempt of court action born of the paralyzing coal strike. Defence Council filed an appeal.

The judge denounced the coal crisis as "a monstrous thing." He said it was a threat which if successful would reduce Americans to cold, hunger and destitution, overthrow their Government and establish a dictatorship over them.

Goldsborough said that "if it becomes a question of the destruction of this Union or the preservation of the country, the country is going to be preserved."

He then issued a preliminary injunction against Lewis and the UMW.

The injunction raised the possibility of further heavy punishment if the strike is not ended swiftly and replaces the restraining order which Lewis was convicted of contemptuously disregarding.

Lewis glowered, his face muscles twitching. He went free until Thursday when he must post bond, the amount of which was unstated.

The \$3,500,000 fine averages about \$250,000 daily for the 14 days Lewis has defied Goldsborough's order to call off his announcement of contract termination.

Jewish Refugees Landed

Haifa, Dec. 4. Three hundred Jewish refugees, formerly illegal immigrants but now bona fide "newcomers," arrived at Haifa yesterday from Cyprus on board the British ship "Empire Heywood."

They were released after their arrival and welcomed by an official Jewish representative and applauding crowds.

Among the new arrivals were nine children, born during the refugees' stay in Cyprus.—Associated Press.

RADIO

ZBW Hong Kong broadcasting on a frequency of 845 kilocycles and from 12.30 to 1.15 p.m., 6.30 to 7.30 p.m., and 9 to 11 p.m. also on 9.62 megacycles.

12.30 p.m.—Daily Programme Summary.

12.42 p.m.—Variety.

1.00 p.m.—News, Weather Report and Announcements.

1.10 p.m.—Piano Duets: Moreton and Kaye.

1.25 p.m.—Three Tchaikovsky Songs.

1.35 p.m.—Tchaikovsky's "Sleeping Princess"—Solo.

2.00 p.m.—Close Down.

5.30 p.m.—London Transcription Service: "Grand Hotel" Albert Sandberg & Palm Court Orchestra, Dennis Niall.

7.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.

7.15 p.m.—"Romance and Rhythm."

7.30 p.m.—Variety Requests.

8.30 p.m.—London Transcription Service: "The English Theatre" No. 12 "Jesse and the New Drama."

8.45 p.m.—Marek Weber and His Orchestra.

9.00 p.m.—London Relay: News.

9.05 p.m.—Three Songs from Noel Coward's "Tonight at 8.30."

9.30 p.m.—The London Philharmonic Orchestra.

10.00 p.m.—Leonovale's "I Postellieri" (Abridged Version).

11.00 p.m.—Close Down.

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NELSON ANNUITY TO CEASE

London, Dec. 4.

The £5,000 annuity granted to the Nelson family as a memorial to their illustrious sailor ancestor will not be paid after the deaths of the present Lord Nelson and his brother, the Hon. Edward Edgar Horatio Nelson.

The House of Commons reached this decision by passing the second reading of the Trafalgar Estates Bill by 271 votes to 102. In moving the second reading, Mr. Hugh Dalton, Chancellor of the Exchequer, suggested that Trafalgar House might, by the discontinuance of entail, pass into the hands of the Admiralty and thus become a far better memorial to the great admiral than it was at present.

The opposition motion for the rejection of the bill was based on grounds that proper compensation was not being paid and that Parliament was being asked to dishonour the moral obligation to maintain the pension.

Mr. Dalton, moving the second reading, said that the subject was surrounded by much poignant British history. Lord Nelson foiled Napoleon's plan for the invasion of Britain just as his successors, co-operating with the Air Force and Army in the last war, foiled Hitler's plan with the same object.—Reuter.

BRITAIN HIT BY U.S. STRIKE

(Continued from Page 1)

A survey by Associated Press correspondents of the European fuel supply position indicated that France, Italy and Denmark are hardest hit by the American miners' walkout.

Reporting that American supplies represent more than half of France's total coal imports, a spokesman for the French Ministry of Industrial Production predicted widespread work stoppages unless the miners' dispute is settled quickly. American coal imports by France, compared with total imports in recent months included: September, 713,000 tons and 1,188,000 tons. October, 350,000 tons and 719,000 tons.

Though admitting the likelihood of serious setbacks to French industry, Henri Marcel, Secretary-General of the French Miners' Union, said that it was likely that Union officials would vote a resolution of solidarity "with our American comrades" at a meeting on Friday.

Restrictions In Copenhagen, officials have clamped down wartime restrictions to conserve fuel supplies. Only half of the city's street lights are burning, public transport is curtailed, including the reduction of railway traffic to one-third of the prewar level. Gas consumption is ordered to be cut by 50 per cent.

Comparatively mild weather gave the Italians a pat on the head but the American strike constituted a severe kick at Italy's industrial plants.

Faced with the prospect of receiving only a small amount of the 2550,000 tons of coal scheduled for import this month, the Italian Government appointed the Minister of the Treasury and the Administrator of State Railways to direct a new agency for the acquisition of coal and coke.

Swiss Fears In Bern, Robert Grinm, Fuel Administrator, announced that continuance of the American strike would force the Swiss Government to begin rationing even poorer grades of coal.

"If the strike should continue, we are likely to find ourselves in an extraordinarily precarious situation," he declared.—Associated Press.

SWING CLUB

All swing enthusiasts are cordially invited to the Kowloon Swing Club which meets tonight and every Friday night at the NAAFI Club, Kowloon. If you enjoy listening to the bands of Duke Ellington, Harry Hayes, Benny Goodman, Charlie Barnet, Woody Herman, etc., why not drop in for an hour or so tonight at 8 o'clock?

Alaskan Government The document said Japanese war plans provided for the establishment of an Alaskan Government general under which the whole of Alaska, the Canadian

Privy Council Turns Down Jew's Appeal

London, Dec. 4.

An appeal by Eusebio Zabrovsky from refusal by the Supreme Court of Palestine to grant a writ of habeas corpus in respect of his son, who was detained in Palestine in April 1944 under the Emergency Regulations and later deported to Eritrea, was dismissed today by the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council.

Respondents to the appeal were the G.O.C. Palestine, representing the Commander-in-Chief, Middle East, and the Inspector-General of Police and Prisons, Jerusalem.

Counsel for Zabrovsky told the court that his client's son, a Palestinian, was not charged with any crime, but was detained, broadly speaking, for reasons of public safety. He was taken to Eritrea and detained there in a military camp, being transferred for a period to Sudan.

On October 4, 1946, it was alleged, the Chief Administrator of Eritrea made an order detaining, among others, Zabrovsky's son.

The main issue in the case was whether the Government of Palestine could validly detain him in a country to which he was deported when, at their instigation, the authorities of the country had made a detention order in respect of him.

De Facto Control? Appellant submitted that in such circumstances the Government of Palestine retained, de facto, control of the person detained, and was therefore answerable in habeas corpus proceedings.

Counsel for the respondents submitted that, assuming these proceedings were treated as being against the Palestine authorities, they would fail because there was no illegal detention.

The Judicial Committee said they would give their reasons for dismissing the appeal later.—Reuter.

LINCOLN'S INN SUICIDE

London, Dec. 5.

A verdict of suicide by hanging was returned at a St. Pancras inquest today on a 25-year-old Swedish seaman, Ernest Rune Hansson.

Two boys discovered the body hanging by a leather belt from a holly tree in Lincoln's Inn Fields on Nov. 30.

It was stated that papers on the body showed the man left his ship at Liverpool.—Associated Press.

THE LONG VOYAGE HOME

New York, Dec. 4.

The S.S. President Polk sailed for Los Angeles and San Francisco on the last lap of a round-the-world trip which started from San Francisco on Aug. 23.

Her cargo included 600 tons of crude rubber for Havana taken aboard at Penang and Singapore, and wool from Hong Kong. This is the first American reconvocted passenger-cargo ship, which was a troopship during the war, to make a post-war round-the-world trip.—United Press.

Fantastic Plan Of Jap. Domination

Tokyo, Dec. 5.

A fantastic plan of the Japanese to dominate not only Asia and the South Pacific but also North, Central and South America was brought to light at the war crimes trial here today.

In planning to establish Japanese sovereignty, political thought, culture and economic theories throughout these areas (while the Germans placed the rest of the world under their domination) the Japanese prepared for all contingencies in the form of any opposition to their dream of imperial conquest from any country in the world.

In a document introduced by the associate Dutch prosecutor, Mr. A. T. Laverge, to show Japan's intentions of forcing the Netherlands East Indies to accept Japanese authority, the prosecution's evidence contained even a detailed Japanese plan to "punish" Chile and Peru if they joined the side of the Allies in the war against Japan.

Japan planned to force Peru to cede territory north of Latitude 10 Deg. South. Chile would have been ordered by Japan to give up sovereignty over Saragomoe Island, East Island and the Nitze zone north of Latitude 24 Deg. South.

The Japanese plan said: "In the event of the Mexican Government declaring war on our empire and resorting to obstructive measures, it shall, as punishment, be made to cede territory roughly east of 95 deg. 30 min. Longitude, including the Tehuantepec Isthmus railway."

Alaskan Government The document said Japanese war plans provided for the establishment of an Alaskan Government general under which the whole of Alaska, the Canadian

provinces of Alberta and British Columbia, and the State of Washington would be lumped together for purposes of administration under the Japanese.

All Central American countries—Puerto Rico, Venezuela, Colombia, as well as San Domingo, Haiti and Trinidad—were to have their fate "decided by agreement between Japan and Germany as a result of the peace conference" which would follow after Nazi Germany and Imperial Japan won their war of conquest against the rest of the world, the document said.—United Press.

Tom McGovern Having Manager Trouble

London, Dec. 4.

The ex-Army sergeant, Tommy McGovern, who won such glowing praise from the world heavyweight boxing champion, Joe Louis, when, as Kennington lightweight and former ABA champion, he won the inter-Allied tournament at Rome, is the centre of a boxing controversy that is raging behind the scenes in London.

The cause of the trouble is— who shall be his manager? It has been announced in the press that Jack King would manage him, but the former lightweight champion, Dave Crowley, tells Reuter that he is the only person who holds McGovern's contract.

So Reuter phoned the Board of Control, whose Southern Council met on Tuesday to discuss the matter and grant McGovern a professional licence. "The matter is in abeyance and sub judice," said the Board secretary, Charles Donmail.

The case was considered, but has been adjourned until Monday for further consideration. McGovern is due to make his professional debut at Seymour Hall on Tuesday against George Frost.

"Disgusted" "I am disgusted with the whole affair and now others by subterfuge are attempting to gain control of one of the greatest British prospects for years. I want nothing more to do with it," says Jack King.

Now listen to Crowley. McGovern is an ex-serviceman

who wanted to stay in the Army, but boxing is to be his livelihood and the Board cannot refuse him a licence.

"I do not expect to make any financial gain out of him for a long while. I do not intend to push him along straight away for championship. He will be carefully nursed and guided to championship status in perhaps two or three years. He is 21, a natural lightweight and a great boxer-fighter already," says Crowley.

Crowley, who has started up in managers, has three ex-A.B.A. champions in his stable—McGovern, Groves and Kent.—Reuter.

Tennis In Australia

Melbourne, Dec. 4.

The Australian pair, John Bromwich and Colin Long, reached the final in the Victorian lawn tennis men's doubles championship when they defeated two members of the United States Davis Cup team, Jack Kramer and Ted Schroeder, 6/4, 6/3, 4/6, 6/3.

The Australians Adrian Quist and Geoff Brown beat another American pair, Frankie Parker and Tom Brown, 7/5, 6/3, 8/10, 10/8 to enter the semi-finals.

The former Australian Davis Cup player, Harry Hopman, said Quist's display was his best of the season, though he was still not quite at his best. He also thinks that Bromwich and Long, who were magnificent today, will be hard to displace as Australia's Davis Cup pair.—Reuter.

Mulloy Loses

Melbourne, Dec. 5.

John Bromwich, Australia's number one, beat Gardner Mulloy, United States Davis Cup representative, in the semi-finals of the Men's Singles of the Victoria Lawn Tennis Championship here today by 6/4, 6-5, 7/5, 3-5 and 6-4.

In the final on Saturday, he will meet Ted Schroeder, another American Cup player, who in the other semi-final earlier today beat Australian Bill Sidwell by 6-3, 4-6, 6-3 and 6-4.—Reuter.

F.A. Cup Replays

London, Dec. 4.

The Football Association Cup last season, were beaten by the Lincolnshire League club Southorpe United in the first round today when the match postponed from last Saturday was played at York.

Results of first round replays were: York City 0 Southorpe United 1; Accrington 0 Doncaster Rovers 5; Watford 1 Wellington 1; W. 0. Poole Town 0 Queens Park Rangers 6; Holfax 1 Barnet 0 (after extra time); New Brighton 1 Hull City 2; (after extra time).

Rugby Union: County Championship—Hampshire 0 Surrey 3; Sussex 3 Kent 14.—Reuter.

UNAUTHORISED

London, Dec. 5.

The Olympic Organising Committee state that reports that Germany and Japan have been, or will be, invited to the 1948 London Olympic Games are unauthorized.

A statement issued here this evening reads: "Any statements which have appeared in the press that Germany and Japan have, or will be, invited to participate in the 1948 Olympic Games, are unauthorized."

Invitations to participate in the Games are sent out by the Organising Committee on behalf of the International Olympic Committee. The list of nations to be invited has not yet been finally decided and invitations will not be sent until early in the New Year.—Reuter.

Hope For M.C.C. Yet!

Sydney, Dec. 5.

The "Sydney Morning Herald" cricket correspondent, commenting on the Test match which ended in a great victory for Australia yesterday, says: "Brisbane has told us little of the merits of the two teams, had England won the toss, I doubt if Australia would have survived as long as England."

"Australia will do well to pray for fine weather for the remaining matches. Indeed, the Australian victory was not at all convincing. Failure to finish the proceedings after Hammond's downfall was rather an anti-climax."—Reuter.

London, Dec. 4.

Willie Pep, of the United States, world featherweight champion, will defend his title against Ned Tarterton, British champion at Harringay Arena, here on January 28.—Reuter.